

this technical feature, which is absent from the prior art. Applicants draw the examiner's attention to co-pending application 11/934,359 wherein the examiner conceded during an examiner interview that there is no disclosure of the JAK2 V617F mutation prior to the priority date of the present application. The Office has already performed a prior art search in co-pending application 11/934,359 and the results show that the prior art cannot satisfy at least one limitation of the claims: the JAK2 V617F mutation. Accordingly, the Office cannot assert an undue search burden for this application. Examination will effectively be limited to non-prior art issues, none of which could represent an undue examination burden. For these reasons, Applicants request withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing or a credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorize payment of any such extension fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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